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(57) EXTENT OF UTILITY MODEL CLAIMS

What Is Claimed Is:

[Claim 1]

A catamenial napkin, comprising at least a water permeable top sheet, a water impermeable back sheet, and an absorbent body located between both these sheets, wherein a color sheet that can be distinguished from the top sheet and at least the top surface of the absorbent body on the side that contacts the skin is placed on at least both side parts of the absorbent body, and the top sheet is a nonwoven material with a mass per unit area of 60/m<sup>2</sup> or less and a density of 0.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup> or less such that the color of the color sheet is visible through the top sheet, and therefore the region to contact with the pubic region of the wearer can be recognized by the color on both visible side parts.

[Claim 2]

The catamenial napkin according to claim 1, wherein both side parts of the absorbent body have a cutaway part, and the colored sheet is placed at least on the cutaway part.

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Brief Description of Drawings

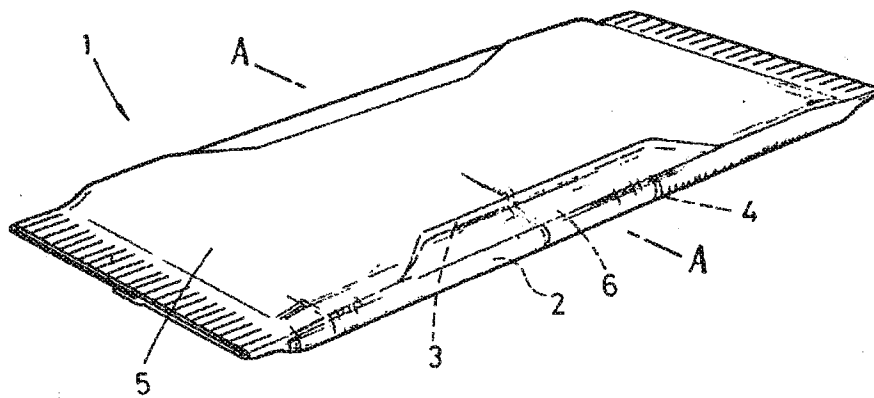
FIG. 1 is a partial cutaway perspective view showing an embodiment of the napkin of the present invention; FIG. 2 is a cross-section view along line A-A of the same; FIG. 3 and FIG. 4 are cross-section views similar to FIG. 2 showing other embodiments; and FIG. 5 is a top view showing examples of shapes of the absorbent body.

- 1 -- napkin
- 2, 3 -- absorbent body
- 2a, 3a -- cutaway part
- 4 -- back sheet
- 5 -- top sheet
- 6 -- colored sheet

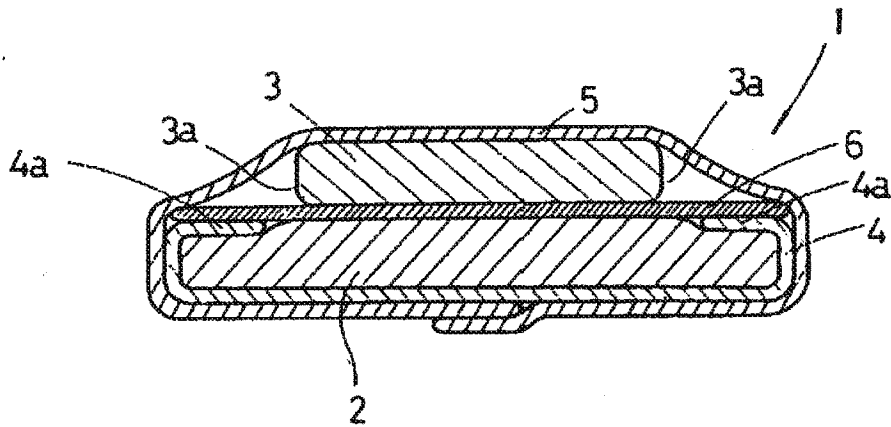
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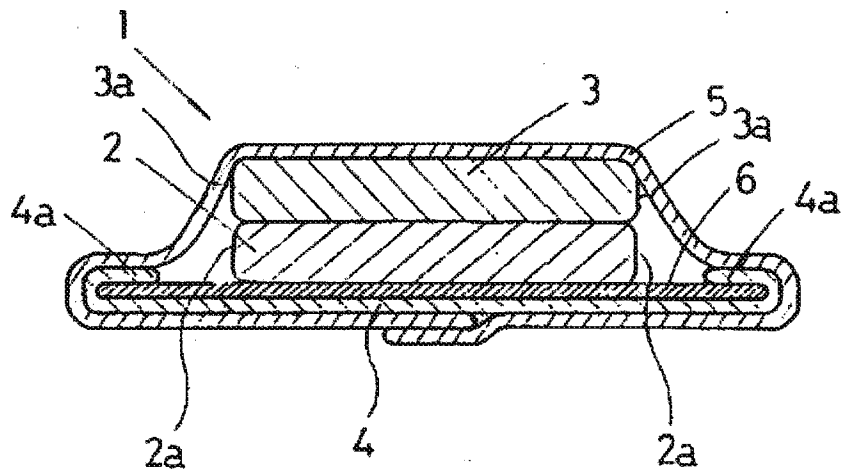
[FIG. 1]



[FIG. 2]



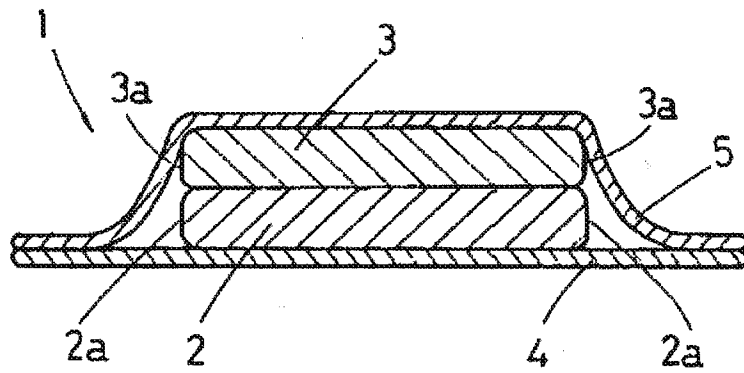
[FIG. 3]



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[FIG. 4]



[FIG. 5]

